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As a result of the Chinese Communist second land reform, peasants are to receive a share of about 1.8 to 1.6 mou. The tax rate is to be 350 catties of grain to each mou. Peasants are required to pay other taxes totalling 140 catties of grain. As a result poor peasants can keep only 128 catties each year. This is sufficient for two or three months. Most poor peasants must borrow from the Communist bank for seeds and equipment, which forces them to sell some grain at low prices to cover the interest on the loan.

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